

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Statement Regarding EPA's Enforcement Discretion For Local Business Owners in Libby, Montana

The United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") has determined that it will **NOT** seek to recover from local business owners in Libby. Montana the costs associated with the cleanup of amphibole asbestos contamination on those individuals' property where each local business owner meets the following criteria:

- The business owner has provided, and will continue to provide, access to EPA for its response actions;
- The business owner has NOT actively participated in a for-profit enterprise of distributing, treating, storing or disposing of Libby vermiculite;
- The business owner will take appropriate precautions in handling any visible vermiculite in and around his or her business, avoiding where possible activities which may spread the vermiculite to other locations; and
- 4) The business owner signs the following certification:

I, the undersigned business owner, certify that prior to November 1999, I had no knowledge that the vermiculite on my property contained asbestos.

STIMSON LUMBER COMPANY, 875 HIGHWAY 2 SOUTH, LIBBY, MT
Print Business Name
Business Address

DAN SWEENEY
VICE PRESIDENT, HUMAN RESOURCES & RISK MEMT.
Print Business Owner Name

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Business Owner Signature

Date

Questions regarding this statement should be directed to Matthew Cohn, EPA Region VIII Legal Enforcement Program at (303) 312-6853. Please send this signed certification to Matthew Cohn at U.S. EPA- ENF-L, 999 18th St., Suite 300, Denver, CO 80202.

Acting Regional Administrator